

Michigan Public Service Commission 2011 Annual Report

Presentation to House Energy & Technology Committee

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MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Commissioners

- **Chairman John D. Quackenbush**
 - Appointed 9/15/11
 - Term ends 7/2/17
- **Commissioner Orjiakor N. Isiogu**
 - Appointed 9/9/07
 - Term ends 7/2/13
- **Commissioner Greg R. White**
 - Appointed 12/4/09
 - Term ends 7/2/15



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MPSC Mission

The mission of the Michigan Public Service Commission is to grow Michigan's economy and enhance the quality of life of its communities by assuring safe and reliable energy, telecommunications, and transportation services at reasonable rates.



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MPSC Goals

- Establish fair and reasonable rates for regulated services and adopt and administer fair terms and conditions of service for the State's utility customers.
- Assure adequate and reliable supplies of regulated services to all Michigan customers, and the safe and efficient production, distribution, and use of the State's energy, telecommunications, and transportation services.
- Assure the security of the State's critical infrastructure by promoting homeland security.
- Promote the State's economic growth and enhance the quality of life of its communities through adoption of new technologies like broadband telecommunications and efficient renewable energy resources.
- Provide customers with the opportunity to choose alternative electric, natural gas, telecommunications, and transportation providers.
- Provide regulatory oversight in a prudent and efficient manner while implementing legislative and constitutional requirements.



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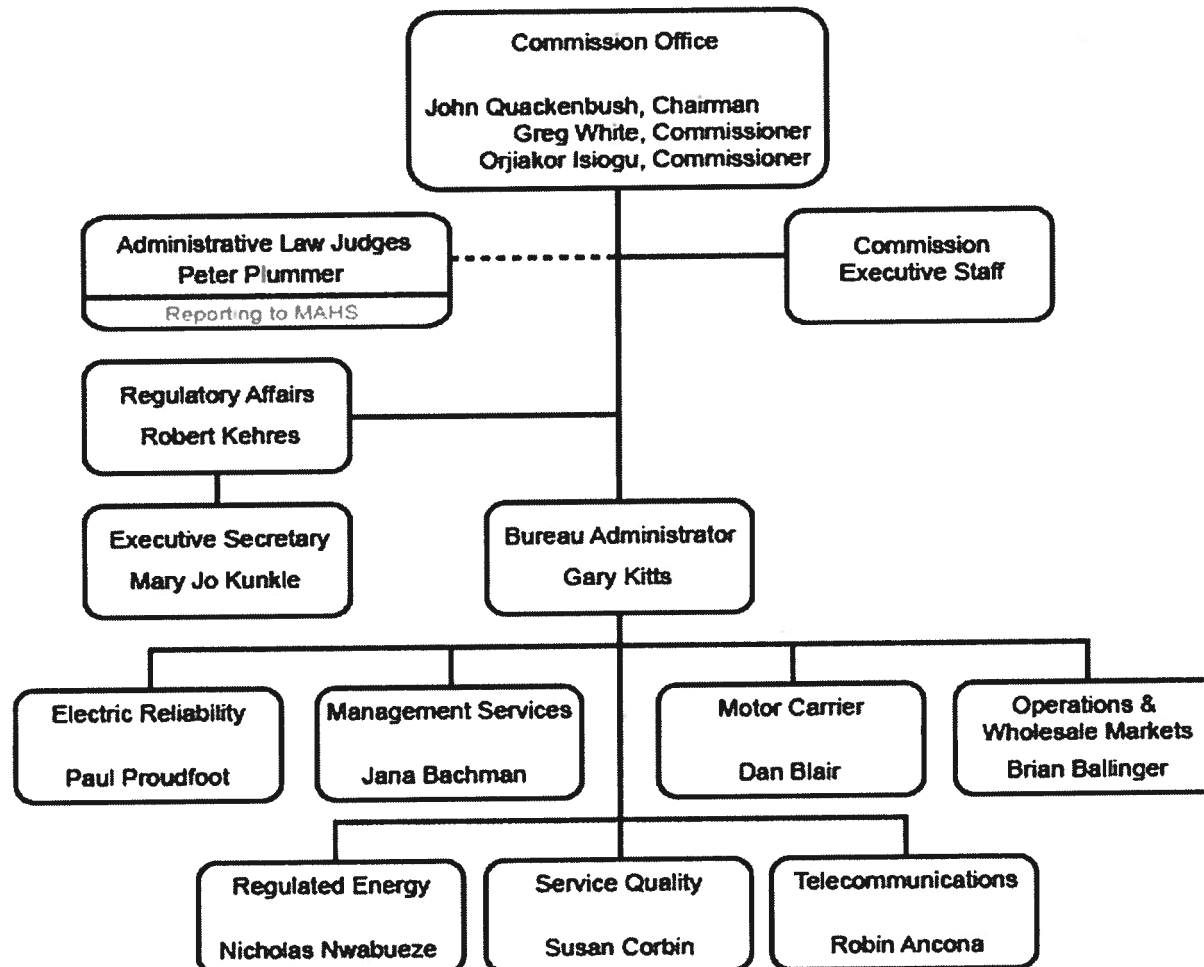
Special Circumstances

- MPSC Offices flooded in July, 2011
- Required temporary Staff relocation
- RFP for new space issued December 22, 2011
- Target date of September 2, 2012 to be in new location



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MPSC Divisions



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Regulatory Affairs Division

- 700 Commission orders issued in 2011:
 - 182 Telecommunications
 - 440 Electric
 - 70 Natural Gas
 - 8 Motor Carrier
- 8,413 official documents received and processed
- 105 Freedom of Information Act responses issued



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Electric Reliability Division

- 65 Energy Optimization Plan Cases
- 78 Renewable Energy Plan Cases
- Approval of Expedited Siting Certificate for ITC Thumb Loop project
- Smart Grid Collaborative



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Management Services Division

- Energy Grants –
 - Vacated LIEEF Orders
 - Processing of Vulnerable Household Warmth Fund Grants
- Energy Data & Security –
 - Homeland Security
 - Energy Monitoring
 - Energy Appraisal (biannual)
 - Michigan Energy Overview



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Motor Carrier Division

- Intrastate Authority for Motor Carriers
 - 350 New Applications or modifications of Authority were approved
 - 5,100 Intrastate decals
 - 26 new applications for household goods authority were processed
- Federal Unified Carrier Registration
 - 22,000 2012 UCR renewal notices and application forms were mailed
- Intrastate US Department of Transportation Numbering Program
 - 2,132 USDOT numbers issued
- Water Ferry Regulation
 - Mackinac Island ferries complaint case
 - Champions Auto Ferry - Harsens Island rate case



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Operations & Wholesale Markets Division

- Electric Operations
 - Electric service quality and reliability
- Gas Operations
 - Pipeline Safety
 - Certificates of Convenience and Necessity
 - Franchises
 - Natural Gas Pipeline Construction
 - Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Construction
 - Natural Gas Storage Fields
- Energy Markets
 - Staff participation at MISO, PJM, FERC



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Regulated Energy Division

- Rate Case Processing:

	Requested Increase	Approved Increase
<i>Approved Rate Orders – Total</i>	\$526.6 Million	\$232.4 Million
<i>In Process – Total</i>	\$283.3 Million	n/a

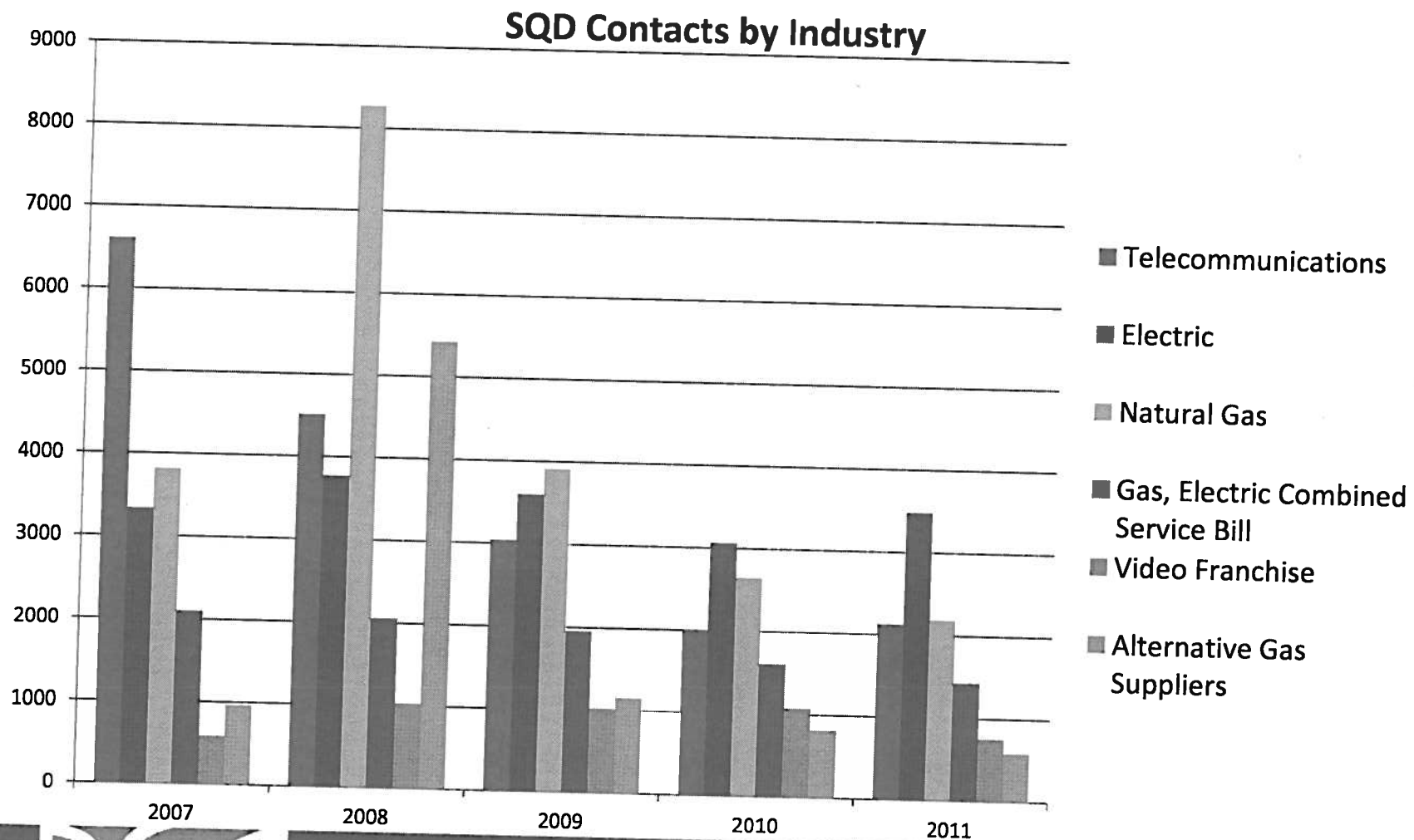
- Customer Choice:

- Gas Choice at all-time high with 487,096 customers and annualized volumes of 92.1 Bcf.
- Electric Choice combined (Detroit Edison and Consumers Energy) participation reached 7,042 customers and 1,984 MW.
 - Combined queued customers: 6,385
 - Combined queued load: 4,868,009 MWh



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Service Quality Division



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Telecommunications Division

- Revisions to the MTA (PA 58 of 2011)
 - Eliminated requirement for Primary Basic Local Exchange Service, rescinded service quality and billing rules, changed the terms for discontinuing service in an area
- Wireline Competition
 - As of year-end 2010, CLECs served 28.5% of the wireline market
 - Data for 2011 will be included in the report coming out in June
- Emergency 9-1-1 Service Rulemakings
- METRO permitting and tax credits
- Connect Michigan
 - Continued broadband mapping and planning
 - Launched the Connected Community certification program



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